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For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR OPTIMIZING
THE TIMING OF INTEGRATED CIRCUITS
Our File : L13.12-0141/00-684

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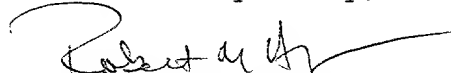
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1. Complete specification and claims.
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10 pages claims
1 page Abstract
2. Unexecuted Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
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3. 4 sheets of drawings.
4. File Data Sheet
5. Request for Non-Publication under 35 U.S.C.
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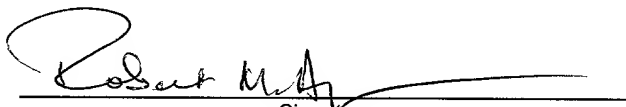
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